

30 April 1975

General George S. Brown  
Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff  
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear George:

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The courage, precision, and flexibility of this operation were in the best tradition of the U. S. forces. While we may have become accustomed to this quality of performance, it will not pass without a deep vote of appreciation from your colleagues in this Agency.

Sincerely,

/s/ Bill  
W. E. Colby  
Director

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The Honorable James R. Schlesinger  
The Secretary of Defense  
Washington, D. C. 20301

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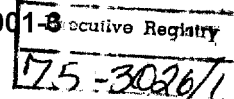
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Admiral Noel A. M. Gayler, USN  
Commander-in-Chief, Pacific  
FPO San Francisco 96610

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